airports in Assam. I do not immediately have an answer as to how would be the airport closer to Kaziranga. But I am sure if there is a need, we can always look into various ways and means to promote tourism there.

SHRI SWAPAN SADHAN BOSE: I would like to submit to the hon. Minister that there is a lot of not only safari but religious tourism also and India is a tourtist destination. There has to be a clarity about the role of the State Governments and the Central Government in giving permission for building airports on BOT basis or what type of investments because there are security concerns in particular areas. There has to be clarity in the policy. I am sure, Sir, with Destination India today there is enough scope of private operators coming up. Let there be a discussion and consensus between the States and the Centre on clarity of position.

SHRI PRAFUL PATEL: Sir, there is no confusion in terms of policy as far as building of airports is concerned. There is a well laid out policy and according to that new airports have been made from time to time within the country by the State Governments or by the Airports Authority. Even now green field airports have been permitted in joint ventures. So, it is not something where there is a lack of clarity. If there is any specific proposal which the hon. Member would like to bring to our notice, we will be happy to respond to his concerns. But religious tourism or tourism in general in our country is on upward trend. It is being reflected in the healthy numbers. In fact, aviation, both domestic and international, is showing-a very healthy trend in terms of growth. I am sure the hon. Member and the entire House will agree with that.

Mr. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

Bugetary support to PSUs for payment of salaries

*124. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are giving budgetary support to various loss making Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) to clear the outstanding payment of salaries and statutory dues to their employees;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the budgetary support provided to each loss making PSU during each of the last two years for industries located in Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b) Government provides non-plan assistance to Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) on case-to-case basis to supplement their efforts for payment of wages/salaries and statutory dues. Such assistance is given as non-plan loan to tide over the financial difficulties in CPSEs. As per available information, during 2004-05 and 2005-06 the Government sanctioned Rs. 1804.21 crores for salaries/wages and statutory dues to a number of CPSEs as per details given in Statement-I *(See* below).

(c) Government sanctioned Rs. 50.61 crores in the year 2004-05 and Rs.42.03 crores in the year 2005-06, i.e., a total of Rs. 92.64 crores, for the loss making CPSEs having their registered offices in Andhra Pradesh as per details given in Statement-ll.(See below).

Statement-I

Budgetary support for wages/salary and statutory dues

(Rs. in crores)

Sl. No.	Ministry/ Department	CPSE	Wages/Salary 2004-05	Wages/Salary 2005-06	Total	Statutory Dues 2004-05	Statutory Dues 2005-06	Total	Grand Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1.	Department of Agriculture & Cooperation	State Farms Corporation of India Ltd.			--------	32.76	10.00	42.76	42.76
2.	Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals	Hindustan Antibiotics Ltd.	4.50		4.50		18.80	18.80	23.30
3.		Bengal Chemicals & Pharm. Ltd.	—	0.61	0.61	—	5.00	5.00	5.61
	Total		4.50	0.61	5.11		23.80	23.80	28.91
4.	Department of Heavy Industries	Andrew Yule & Co. Ltd.	—	—	0.00	32.12	7.22	39.34	39.34
5.		Bharat Heavy Plates & Vessels Ltd.	18.15	23.40	41.55	27.57	15.60	43.17	84.72
6.		Bharat Ophthalmic Glass Ltd.	1.23	2.10	3.33	0.72	0.18	0.90	4.23
7.		Bharat Pumps & Compressors Ltd.	2.06	1.84	3.90	12.01	3.41	15.42	19.32
8.		Bharat Wagon Engg. Co.	5.78	5.42	11.20	3.32	0.70	4.02	15.22

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9.		Hindustan Cables Ltd.	34.27	62.79	97.06	70.84	25.75	96.59	193.65
10.		Hindustan Photofilms Mfg. Co. Ltd.	1.71	8.81	10.52	1.35	4.17	5.52	16.04
11.		HMT Watches	15.72	31.88	47.60	14.71	4.51	19.22	66.82
12.		Instrumentation Ltd.	7.32	1.46	8.78	26.32	0.68	27.00	35.78
13.		National Instruments Ltd.	2.48	0.58	3.06	1.42	0.13	1.55	4.61
14.		NEPA Ltd.	5.34	7.67	13.01	7.52	6.34	13.86	26.87
15.		Praga Tools Ltd.	2.21	2.56	4.77	0.76	—	0.76	5.53
16.		Triveni Structural Ltd.	6.52	1.63	8.15	11.28	1.15	12.43	20.58
17.		Tungabhadra Steel Products Ltd.	3.76	2.48	6.24	1.30	0.54	1.84	8.08
18.		Richardson & Cruddas	0.74	—	0.74	0.87	—	0.87	1.61
19.		Cement Corporation of India	6.61	—	6.61	4.94	—	4.94	11.55
20.		Bum Standard Co. Ltd.	0.60	1.85	2.45	3.67	0.10	3.77	6.22
21.		Braithwaite & Co. Ltd.	—	—	0.00	1.11	—	1.11	1.11
22.		HMT Holding Co.	—	—	0.00	6.65	—	6.65	6.65
23.		HMT Machines Tools Ltd.	1.69	—	1.69	36.59	5.62	42.21	43.90
24.		HMT Bearing Ltd.	—	—	0.00	1.42	—	1.42	1.42
25.		HMT Chinar Watches*	4.99	3.15	8.14	0.04	1.10	1.14	9.28

26.		Tyre Corpn. of India Ltd.	—	—	0.00	4.07	—	4.07	4.07
27.		Heavy Engineering Corpn.	12.25	—	12.25	113.40	—	113.40	125.65
		Total	133.43	157.62	291.05	384.00	77.20	461.20	752.25
28.	Ministry of Shipping	Central Inland Water Transport Corpn. Ltd	12.00	18.00	30.00	—	44.53	44.53	74.53
29.	Ministry of Steel	Hindustan Steel works Construction Ltd.	71.89	—	71.89	—	—	0.00	71.89
30.	Ministry of Textiles	National Textiles Corporation							521.17
31.		British Indfe Corporation Ltd.							36.00
32.		Bird Jute & Export Ltd.							5.20
33.		National Jute Mfg. Corporation Ltd.							271.50
34.		Total							833.87
		GRAND TOTAL	221.82	176.23	398.05	416.76	155.53	572.29	1804.21

*In addition , an amount of Rs. 8.83 crore was separately approved in 2005-06.

Statement

Budgetary support for Wages/Salary & Statutory Dues in loss making CPSEs of Andhra Pradesh

SI. No.	Ministry/ Department	Name of CPSE	Wages/Salary 2004-052005-06	Statutory Dues Total 2004-052005-06				Grand Totat Total
1.	Department of Heavy Industry	Bharat Heavy Plates & Vessels Ltd.	18.15	23.40	41.55	27.57	15.6043.17	84.72
2.		HMT Bearing Ltd.	-			1.42	- 1.42	1.42
3.		Praga Tools Ltd.	2.21	2.56	4.77	0.76	-0.76	5.53
4.	Ministry of Textiles	Tirupati Textiles Mills (NTC)						0.97
	Total		20.36	25.9646.32		29.75	15.6045.35	92.64